



Ivey Ranch PTO Meeting

September 17, 2025 | 6pm

Meeting called by Keri Picciolo & Shelly Tavares

Board members

Keri Picciolo, *President*

Shelly Tavares, *Co-President*

Anna Antenucci, *VP Educational Services*

Mia Frost, *VP Fundraising*

Kristen Plumb, *VP Merchandising*

Amanda Barnes, *VP Family Events*

Cheryl Valenzuela, *Secretary*

Melissa Nimon, *Treasurer*

Abi Studer, *Co-Chair Marketing*

Jon Studer, *Co-Chair Marketing*

Devina Lopez, *5th Grade Representative*

Board Members Present: Keri Picciolo, Shelly Taveres, Anna Antenucci, Mia Frost, Amanda Barnes, Cheryl Valenzuela, Melissa Nimon, Abit Studer, Jon Studer

Others Present: Shannon Parker, Kyla Kendle, Andrea Weeks, Aaron Scott, Majares Bernien, Evan Dicolli, Vernoica Mendez, Courtney Yu, Lauren Holty, Evan DiCiolli, Brittany Gilbert, Caroline Cha, Elizabeth Kenny, Angela Hardy, Rebecca Voris, Dewi Simson, Misha Bringuier, Kelly Harkenrider, Susan Iyican, Cristina Rangel, Paula Martinez, Jane Kluck, Alice Besong-Mancho, Quinlyn Soltow Owusu, Sarah Harrington, Mary Jo McPherson

Meeting Called to order by Co-President Keri Picciolo at 6:01pm

Item	Presenter
Introductions	Presidents
Principal's Report	Sarah Harrington
- Happenings at Ivey: Open House, Movie Night, Oceanside Theatre Company Partnership (once a month in each classroom K-5), Dance Class (recess on Mon/Thurs TK-5) - Vista Community Clinic Partnership – social-emotional development for select 5th graders - Social workers on campus at least once per week and working with school counselor - New CORE School Rules (replacing 7 Keys): Be Safe, Be Responsible, Be Respectful, Be Kind. Will be supported by student skits, posters, etc. - 4th grade catapult lessons	
Open Volunteer Positions	Keri Picciolo
- All board positions filled, still seeking chairs (see list below) - Please reach click on "Get Involved" on the PTO website!	
Budget Updates – Requests & Items in Process	Keri Picciolo & Melissa Nimon
- Increased budget for grade level funds (\$1,000 per grade level) - Added budget to cover all field trip expenses (\$2,000 per grade level), in addition to all field trip transportation - Movie night profit of ~\$1400 for 5th grade camp!	

- Budget requests pending:
 - School wide anti-bullying assembly scheduled for May
 - Identifying and purchasing a coyote mascot
 - Muralist for campus beautification – idea to partner with other local high schools, however this may be restricted by the district
 - Gaga ball courts
- Budget request for vote:
 - Music teacher request \$1987.35 for supplies and materials to allow all students to participate. Voted unanimously.
- Budget requests incoming for research & review:
 - Leveling the ground at the back gate
 - Adding outdoor lighting
 - MPR storage
 - Update the track: currently pending district upgrades to replace turf with real grass. Option for PTO to upgrade from seeds to sod.
 - Redesign principal's garden
 - Take-home musical instruments for music program
 - Book vending machines for reward system
- Active communication to individuals on campus that have budget reserves

Upcoming Events & Committee Reports

A. Classroom Representative

- 7 classrooms missing representatives: Voris, Sotelo, Newville, Bouret, James, Hobson, Rios
- Email sent highlighting priorities: attending PTO meeting, collect parent contact information, yearbook photos (15-30 photos representative of all students in class, 1 group photo, deadline in January), link in email for teacher preference sheets, info coming later for teacher appreciation and other events

Anna

B. Yearbook

- Classroom representatives, please work with teachers to collect yearbook photos! Make appointment with the teacher to come into the classroom. Please respect teacher preferences for gathering photos.
- Position open for general yearbook photos
- Seeking volunteers to take Harvest Festival photos.
- General photo guidelines: don't include non-Ivey Ranch students, and make sure photos are on campus (not at home)
- Open for more design volunteers!
- Pre-orders have opened and will be in October newsletter. Highly encouraged to pre-order – lower cost and benefits PTO!
- Shout outs will benefit 5th grade camp, but have a very firm deadline in late January

Keri Picciolo

C. Harvest Festival

- Friday Oct 10 4-8pm
- Food vendors: Ohana & Chicken Cone
- No entry ticket required, tickets available for all activities and raffles
- Tickets for activities and raffles available for pre-order on PTO website

Amanda Barnes

- Each student participating in inflatables (jumpies) will require a waiver, including non-student siblings (coming home with students to pre-fill out), then waiver will need to be brought to a table at entry to turn in and pick up a wristband
- Volunteers needed! Link on PTO website. Every ½ hour helps!
- Dessert table put on by 5th grade (proceeds benefit camp)
- Cash and cards accepted for payment. Dessert table is cash only.

D. Step It Up

- New fundraiser for Ivey! Kicking off in November
- Proceeds will stay with each grade level and will advance with students year over year until camp.
- All students will get to participate in a Day of Awesomeness in December
- This fundraiser will be in addition to Apex, and is considered a trial this year
- Has the potential to bring family cost for 5th grade camp down from current cost (with current fundraising efforts) of ~\$350 per student to \$0

Shelly Tavares

E. Communication Updates: Email Frequency & Public Calendar

- Calendar on PTO Website fully updated!
- It's a Google calendar and you can add it to your own Google, Outlook or mobile calendar!!
- Some additional emails will start coming out to remind of upcoming dates

Abi Studer

F. Dine Out Nights

- August Chipotle raised \$339. September Rubio's raised \$569.
- Next dine out in October at Pit Stop, with karaoke night! Please like and share on social.

G. Achievement Awards

- Each teacher has received 1 achievement award per student from Panda Express to be distributed to the students at the teacher's discretion.
- Received 100 certificates from Applebee's, 70 from Habit, and some from Bricks and Minifigs.

Mia Frost

H. Donations

- Received \$100 from Dutch Bros and \$150 from Panera Bread
- Raffle table for the Harvest Festival is worth \$5000 in in-kind donations! 25 gift baskets, some worth more than \$300!

I. Art to Remember

- Fundraiser for personalized gifts, aiming for delivery by Mother's Day.
- Art teacher can only support grades 1-5. Volunteers needed to support TK & TK, need help from classroom representatives!
- All artwork due Dec 30

Melissa Nimon

J. Spirit Wear & Kinder Shirts

- Spirit wear available on PTO website!
- Kids get points for their classroom for spirit point classroom of the month for fun prizes.

Shelly Tavares (for
Kristen Plumb)

- All kindergartners will receive a “Class of 2037” shirt, coming soon!

Open Committee Volunteers & Board Positions:

Yearbook Photographers | Yearbook Design | Holiday Store Chairperson | Grant Writer | Garden Coordinator | Family Events Chair – Game Night | Family Events Chair – Donuts with Grownups | Family Events Chair – Movie Night | Art to Remember Chairperson

Q&A

Meeting adjourned at 7:26pm